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STATE CONSERVATION COMMISSION
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AGENDA & TOUR
STATE CONSERVATION COMMISSION
10:00am
Thursday, March 12, 2009

University of Nevada, Reno Campus, College of Agriculture, Biotechnology and Natural Resources, Fleischman Agriculture Building, Conference Room 214, Reno, NV 89557

Notice is hereby given that the Nevada State Conservation Commission will hold a public meeting on Thursday, March 12, 2009 in Reno, Nevada. The State Conservation Commission will consider and act on the following items on March 12, 2009 beginning at 10:00am: Unless given a specific time, items on the agenda can be taken out of order at the Commission's discretion under item II – "Review and approval of agenda".

March 12, 2009 10:00am:

I. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Introductions

II. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA - *ACTION*

III. REVIEW, AMENDMENT AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES - *ACTION*

- A. Approval of Minutes October 20 and 22, 2008.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- A. Three minute time limit per person.

V. DIVISION REPORTS TO THE COMMISSION

- A. Status of the Division of Conservation Districts
1. General – Jim Lawrence
 2. General/Correspondence – Kelly McGowan & Sandi Gotta

VI. REPORTS TO THE COMMISSION

This section is reserved for partnering agency personnel to update the commission on any news or events of importance. ***DISCUSSION***

- A. Department of Conservation and Natural Resources – Allen Biaggi
B. Department of Agriculture – Edward K. Foster
C. University of Nevada, Reno – Dr. Rangesan Narayanan
D. Natural Resources Conservation Service – Bruce Petersen
E. Farm Service Agency – Gus Wegren (Acting SED)
F. Nevada Association of Conservation Districts – Pam Griswold

VII. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Review the Governor recommended budget for the Division and the grants to districts program.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Discussion on the proposed development of renewable energy sources on large tracts of the Bureau of Land Management's public land. Potential role of the commission and individual conservation districts. - ***ACTION***
- B. Review and discussion on proposed bills that could affect conservation districts. Bills to be discussed may include noxious weeds, surface and ground water, rangeland health, fire prevention, fire rehabilitation, farmland protection, livestock grazing, wildlife and habitat, soil erosion, forest health, etc. ***ACTION***
- C. Preview of district photos and written documentation of district activities funded by AB 629 funds from the last legislative session. ***ACTION***

IX. STAFF ITEMS – Division Staff Comments

- A. Unless otherwise listed with a topic description, this portion of the agenda is limited to announcements and discussions proposed for action at future meetings.

X. COMMISSIONER ITEMS

- A. Comments, Reports, Items to be included on the next agenda.

XI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- A. Three-minute time limit per person.

XII. NEXT COMMISSION MEETING - *ACTION*****

- A. Set time and place
- B. Agenda Items

XIII. ADJOURNMENT – *ACTION*****

XIV. TOUR OF THE UNIVERSITY FARM AND THE GREENHOUSE OPERATIONS. KEVIN PIPER (The tour will begin following the conclusion of the Commission's meeting estimated to be around 2:00 pm.)

*Note: ***ACTION*** Denotes items on which the Commission may take action. Action may occur on the topic or during the general Committee Discussion.*

AGENDAS ARE POSTED AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:

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